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Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Frey:

This is in response to your request for the views of the Central Intelligence Agency regarding a Department of Defense (DOD) report on H.R. 3188, the "National Security Reform Act of 1985." With one exception stated below, the Agency has no objection to the DOD report on H.R. 3188.

The portion of the DOD report regarding the polygraph is of concern to the Agency. The report states that the section of the bill requiring the DOD to conduct random counterintelligence scope polygraph examinations is unnecessary. The report then proposes an alternative to that section which would provide that the Secretary of Defense shall issue regulations to provide for the polygraph of certain employees and contractors of the DOD. An exception is provided for individuals assigned to, or detailed to, the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) or any expert or consultant under contract to the CIA. We believe the CIA exception is not broad enough because it does not cover any employee of a contractor of the CIA. We believe that the exception should be broadened so that it is equivalent to the exception provided to the National Security Agency (NSA), which does cover employees of contractors. This can be accomplished by simply having one exception that covers both the Agency and NSA. Such an expanded exception would be consistent with the exception provided the Agency in H.R. 1524, as passed by the House, which bans private use of polygraphs.

Thus, the exception contained in that bill should be used as a model for drafting an exception for NSA and CIA.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the DOD report. If you have any futher questions, please contact of my staff at

Sincerely,

/e/ David D. Orige

David D. Gries
Director of Congressional Affairs

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SUBJECT:

Department of Defense report on ER-3188, "National Security Reform Act of 1985"

(Draft of section 4 included)

The Office of Management and Budget requests the views of your agency on the above subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President, in accordance with OMB Circular A-19.

A response to this request for your views is needed no later than

FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 1986

Questions should be referred to Sue Thau the legislative analyst in this office.

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